

Evidence, leadership and practical solutions for public purpose.

A concise institutional capability statement for governments, embassies, development partners, foundations, universities and regional institutions.

Policy research | Executive education | Peacebuilding | Governance reform | Strategic advisory services

Independent insight. African leadership. Practical solutions.

Founded in 2003 and registered as a non-governmental organisation since 2004, AFLI is an established policy think tank and leadership institute. It connects research, public institutions and communities to strengthen accountable leadership, lasting peace and inclusive economic transformation.

A public-purpose institute grounded in African realities.

AFLI combines policy research, parliamentary monitoring, learning, advocacy and practical socio-economic initiatives. Its mandate is to empower communities and influence the actions and decisions of leaders so that public policy, budgets and services improve human wellbeing.

The Institute works particularly with peripheral, pastoral and cross-border communities in East Africa, the Horn of Africa and the Great Lakes Region.

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Institution founded	Registered as an NGO	East Africa, Horn and Great Lakes focus

Vision Secure, healthy and prosperous communities where people flourish under effective, responsive and accountable leadership.	Mission To educate and empower communities and positively influence their leaders for a better quality of life.
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From evidence to decisions, implementation and learning.

01 Policy research and analysis

Decision-oriented briefs, institutional analysis, programme frameworks and evidence synthesis.

02 Strategic advisory services

Policy options, implementation architecture, stakeholder coordination and technical support.

03 Peacebuilding and regional cooperation

Cross-border dialogue, mobility governance, resource sharing and conflict-sensitive development.

04 Governance and accountability

Civic engagement, parliamentary monitoring, transparency, citizen oversight and institutional reform.

05 Executive education and capacity building

Leadership learning, practical handbooks, mentoring and multi-stakeholder facilitation.

06 Inclusive economic transformation

Pastoral and livestock systems, livelihoods, land rights, value chains and locally grounded enterprise.

AFLI applies a two-part theory of change: leaders and public institutions must become responsive and accountable, while informed communities use services and opportunities, fulfil their responsibilities and hold duty-bearers to account.

Documented examples of policy, institutional and community-facing work.

Peace and regional security

A policy pathway linking the 2023 security mission, technical research, bilateral engagement, the September 2024 Nairobi instruments and subsequent leaders' dialogue.

Youth agripreneur pathway

108 young people selected in Moroto; 78 proceeded to training and 70% of those selected were women.

Governance learning

Four Transparency, Accountability and Anti-corruption training modules developed for citizen oversight, procurement and service monitoring.

Historical ranch restructuring evidence

Reconstruction of 206 subdivided ranches and 165,308.7 hectares recorded as reallocated, with unresolved title, registry and compensation questions clearly distinguished.

Partnership pathways

Governments and public institutions: policy research, institutional strengthening, coordination and implementation support.

Embassies and development partners: locally grounded programmes aligned with peacebuilding and development priorities.

Foundations and donors: fundable initiatives with clear logic, safeguards, accountable delivery and evidence of progress.

Universities and research institutions: applied research, knowledge exchange, field evidence and policy-facing collaboration.

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